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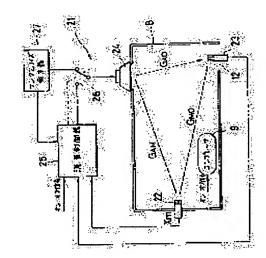
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(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To obtain a refrigerator capable of being operated in a low noise condition at all times by a method wherein the refrigerator is provided with a first control means, driving a controlling sound generator by a signal, obtained from the output of a first acoustic sensor detecting noise in a machine room by processing it through a filter having a characteristic in accordance with acoustic transfer characteristic in the machine room, and a second control means, correcting the characteristic of the filter in the first control means.

CONSTITUTION: When a compressor 9 is under operating condition, sound for canceling noise in an opening 12 is outputted from a speaker 24 by the effect of a first control system in a sound attenuation controller 25. When the compressor 9 is under stopped condition, acoustic transfer functions GAM, GAO are measured by the effect of a second control system in the sound attenuation controller 25 and the value of G at that time point is operated by employing the accoustic transfer functions and another



acoustic transfer function GMO, measured upon operating the compressor 9, while the characteristic of a filter in the first control system is corrected by the result of the operation so as to obtain a characteristic, in which the maximum sound attenuating effect is obtained at that time point.

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